

NOTIFICATION SERVICES

As established by House Bill 2440, The Office of Victim Services provides written notification to registered crime victims regarding the following offender status changes:

- Competency to stand trial court hearings/decisions
- Lack of mental state court hearings/decisions
- Treatment in Lieu of imprisonment court hearings/decisions
- Conditional Release/Discharges
- Transfers (to less restrictive facility)
- Death
- Escape
- Absconders/Apprehensions

CONFIDENTIALITY

Certain information pertaining to the offender in your case can not be disclosed due to state law and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"). This act ensures the privacy and protection of individually identifiable health information.

For more information regarding HIPAA guidelines visit the following website:

www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/understanding/in

HELPFUL NUMBERS

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
(800) 539-2660 www.nami.org

Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network (RAINN)
(785) 232-0550 www.rainn.org

Kansas Crime Victims' Compensation Board
(785) 296-1597 www.ksag.org

Kansas Coalition against Sexual and Domestic Violence (KCSDV)
(785) 232-9784 www.kcsdv.org

The office of Victim Services does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, and age in the delivery of services.

If you have any concerns/complaints about the services you received, please contact the Director of Victim Services at 785-296-7429 or jenniew@kdoc.ks.gov.

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Office of Victim Services



SRS Mental Health Notification Program

SERVICES FOR CRIME VICTIMS

The Kansas Crime Victims' Bill of Rights recognizes the following individuals as crime victims:

“Any person who suffers direct or threatened physical, emotional, or financial harm as a result of the commission or attempted commission of a crime against a person”.

The definition of victim includes:

- Spouse or surviving spouse
- Children
- Parents or stepparents
- Siblings
- Legal Guardians
- Grandparents

Witnesses and other family members may be included.

Our Mission

Kansas Department of Corrections Office of Victim Services serves as a liaison between victims and department staff, the Kansas Parole Board, and victim service providers. We are committed to providing crime victims the opportunity to express their ideas and opinions. We will approach our work for a victim-focused

RELATED LAWS AND STATUTES

K.S.A. 22-3303

An individual who is charged with a felony and found to be incompetent to stand trial shall be committed for treatment to the Larned State Security Hospital (LSSH) or any appropriate county or private institution. This shall not exceed 90 days. The individual may gain competency and return to their county to proceed with charges. If not the defendant will remain at LSSH for an additional three months; if competency cannot be attained within those six month, involuntary commitment proceedings may begin.

K.S.A. 22-3428

When a defendant is acquitted by a jury because they affirmed the person at the time of the crime was incapable of possessing criminal intent because they were suffering from a mental disease. The individual will be indefinitely committed to the state security hospital and subject to annual hearings and court reviews. This is sometimes referred to as “Not guilty by lack of mental state”.

K.S.A. 22-3430

When a pre-sentence evaluation is completed and indicates an individual is in need of psychiatric care and treatment, the trial judge may commit the defendant to LSSH or any county institution for care and treatment. The defendant shall remain committed until sentence expires or a determination has been made by LSSH that the defendant will not be improved by further detention at LSSH and the court shall determine placement for the individual. This may include release to community for post release supervision or transfer to prison. This is sometimes referred to as “treatment in lieu of confinement”.

STATE HOSPITALS

LARNED STATE SECURITY HOSPITAL

The Larned State Security Hospital (LSSH) (also known as the State Security Program) provides services for adult males and females from the state of Kansas. Individuals that are admitted to this facility are admitted through specific state criminal statutes. There are designated residential living units that serve the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) inmates as they prepare for re-entry into the community as well as designated evaluation and treatment beds for both patients referred by the district courts and the KDOC.

LARNED STATE HOSPITAL, OSAWATOMIE STATE HOSPITAL, & RAINBOW MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY

Larned State Hospital (LSH), Osawatomie State Hospital (OSH) and Rainbow Mental Health Facility (RMHF) provide services to adults diagnosed with psychiatric disorders regardless of ability to pay or legal status. The hospitals serve individuals from counties across Kansas.

If you are a family member and victim of a mentally ill offender you may have additional issues and concerns. There are support services and resources available through National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) at 1-800-539-2660.

Office of Victim Services Vision:

“Giving Kansas crime victims and voice in corrections by providing information, services and support with compassion and respect”